

Where the only dependants are persons other than consort or children, all the Acts provide that compensation is to be a reasonable sum proportionate to the pecuniary loss but the total monthly amount to be paid to all such dependants is limited to \$100 in Ontario, \$85 in Alberta, \$75 in British Columbia, \$60 in Nova Scotia and Manitoba, and \$45 in Prince Edward Island. In British Columbia, if a workman leaves dependent parents as well as a widow or orphans, the maximum payable to a parent or parents is \$75 a month. Compensation to dependants other than consort or children is continued only for such time as the Board considers that the workman would have contributed to their support.

Except in Alberta and British Columbia, each Act places a maximum on the total amount of benefits payable to all dependants in case of the death of the workman. In Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the maximum is two-thirds of the workman's earnings, in Quebec and Manitoba 70 p.c., and in Prince Edward Island 75 p.c. In Ontario and Saskatchewan, the average earnings are the maximum amount payable.

Irrespective of the workman's earnings, however, compensation may not fall below certain minimum monthly amounts. The minimum payable to a consort and one child in Quebec is \$55 a month or \$65 if there is more than one child; in Manitoba, the minimum is \$70 if there is a consort and one child and \$90 if there is more than one child; in Saskatchewan, the minimum is \$85 a month to a consort and child and \$100 if there are more children. In Newfoundland, a widow must receive at least \$50 a month with a further payment of \$12 for each child under 16 years of age unless the total exceeds \$100. In Ontario, the minimum payable to a widow is \$75 a month with a further payment of \$25 for each child, up to but not exceeding \$150 a month.

Compensation for total disablement in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick is a periodical payment for the duration of the disability equal to 66 $\frac{2}{3}$ p.c. of average earnings; in Quebec, Manitoba and British Columbia, the rate is 70 p.c. of earnings; and in Prince Edward Island, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Alberta, 75 p.c. Except in New Brunswick, the Acts fix minimum sums to be paid for a permanent total disability. The minimum is \$15 a week in Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Manitoba and British Columbia, \$20 in Saskatchewan, and \$25 in Alberta. In Newfoundland, the minimum is \$65 a month, in Nova Scotia, \$85 a month, and in Ontario, \$100 a month. If, however, average earnings are less than these minima, the amount of the earnings is paid in all provinces except Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan. For partial disablement, compensation in most provinces is a percentage of the difference in earnings before and after the accident, the percentage rate being the same as in total disablement. In New Brunswick and Alberta, the amount is determined by the Board according to the diminution of earning capacity. In all provinces except British Columbia, if the impairment of earning capacity is 10 p.c. or less, a lump sum may be given.

The average earnings on which compensation is based are limited to \$4,000 a year in Ontario and Saskatchewan, \$3,600 in British Columbia, \$3,000 in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Manitoba and Alberta, and \$2,500 in